

DOWN BY THE SEA.

NORFOLK AND PORTSMOUTH.

The Case of the Broken Bank and Bain Brothers--Navy Yard--Convicted of Murder.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, Nov. 11, 1885. In the United States Circuit Court to-day the receiver of the Exchange National Bank petitioned the Court to appoint a master to take an account of the affairs of Bain Brothers, the bankrupt bankers of Portsmouth, who owe the Exchange some \$600,000. The motion was argued by Judge W. J. Robertson and Messrs. White and Garnett for the bank, and L. R. Page and J. William Jones for the trustees of Bain Brothers, after which the Court entered an order referring the questions at issue to a commissioner to take testimony, &c., and appointed Mr. Charles Barry master, with authority to employ an expert to examine the books and accounts of Bain Brothers. This disposes of the civil action for this term. The criminal action against the officers of the Exchange Bank continues before the grand jury.

A large force of workmen were discharged from the navy-yard last night, on account of the short allowance for November. The United States steamship Galena went up to the yard from Hampton Roads last night for stores and to take on a detachment of marines for the Pensacola navy-yard. She sails in a day or two in company with the flagship "Tennessee" for Liverpool. The training-ship Jamestown came out of the dry-dock this morning with her bottom newly coppered, and the Saratoga was placed in the dry-dock to have her bottom re-coppered.

The negro truck driver Robinson Cruse, who ran over and killed Charley Kellam in Portsmouth a few days ago, was convicted of manslaughter yesterday afternoon and sentenced to jail for six months and \$50 fine.

An unknown tramp was run over by the cars at Weldon yesterday and killed.

The steam yacht Lelia, from Calais, Me., with a pleasure party on board, and Commodore Stieckney's yacht Falcon, from Baltimore, arrived in the harbor this morning. The Falcon will cruise up James river on a gunning trip.

LYNCHBURG.

Sale of the Litchburg Virginia--A Telegram to Sherman--A Bunch of Matrimonial Events.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

NOVEMBER 11, 1885. It is reported that the Lynchburg Virginian has been purchased by Mr. John Sherman, the enterprising young leader of that journal. Ever since Mr. Button's appointment as postmaster there have been negotiations to purchase the paper by a joint stock company, but it is understood that a price could not be agreed on.

Cornelius Warwick was one of the negroes who testified before Sherman's outrage committee as to the ostracism practiced by the negro race against colored men who testified that he had his nose pulled by a Republican negro in this city, whereupon John Sherman laughingly remarked that it was "a decidedly tempting nose." Cornelius yesterday sent Sherman a telegram to this effect: "The election is over in Virginia, and the question of the perpetration of Mahomedism (the nose) have it by a large majority."

Mrs. John J. Ambler died Sunday night at the home of her son-in-law, L. P. Rodes, in this city, and was buried yesterday at Spring-Hill Cemetery. Mrs. Ambler was a most estimable lady, and the great love entertained for her in this community found expression in the large concourse of friends which attended her remains to the grave. She was the wife of Mr. J. J. Ambler, formerly a prominent merchant of Lynchburg, but now a farmer of Amherst county.

This morning Miss Manson, daughter of N. C. Manson, Sr., and sister of Mayor Manson, was united in marriage to Mr. Robert Massie, of Nelson county. The bride is a pretty and highly-cultured young lady and very popular in society circles.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Cora Lee, the accomplished young daughter of Mr. John A. Lee, to Mr. Walter G. Jones, a popular young citizen. The ceremony will take place next Tuesday evening at Court-Street Methodist Episcopal church. There are at least fifteen other marriages booked for this fall and winter.

BEAUMONT.

Accidentally Shot--Y. M. C. A.--Tramp-Parade.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

FINCANTLE, Nov. 11, 1885. Dr. R. H. Latane, a popular young physician of Amsterdam, in this county, was accidentally shot yesterday while out bird-hunting. His companion, Mr. J. Wilmer Bowyer, in shooting at a bird, pointed his gun too nearly in the direction of Dr. Latane, and one of the shot struck him in the hand and the other in the eye. The bullet which shot in the eye has pierced the ball. If so, it will destroy the sight. Dr. Latane leaves this morning for Richmond to have the shot extracted and the eye dressed by a specialist.

The Young Men's Christian Association of Fincastle are observing the week of prayer which commenced with last Sunday night, at which time Rev. Dr. Tyree preached a special sermon in the Baptist church. Services being held every night at the Presbyterian church.

A temperance society was organized in the town hall last night, with quite a good membership. THORNTON.

A colored Minister's Troubles.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., November 11. In the Supreme Court to-day was argued the suit of Rev. John Wides against John A. McKee, Alexander McMillan, James R. W. Sloan, and David B. Wilson, of this city, for forming an unlawful conspiracy to defame the plaintiff. The plaintiff says defendants conspired with G. M. Elliott, Mary Miller, J. B. Pickens, and Duncan Adams, and J. M. Farris, of Illinois, and Rev. David B. Gregg, of New York, to defame his character.

The plaintiff is a colored man, and was sent by the Freedmen's Bureau to teach and preach in Alabama to the colored people. He became unpopular down there, and was tried in the Ecclesiastical Court and removed from his position. The defendants in this suit, he alleges, were instrumental in causing his removal, as well as having published the slander that he was a monomaniac on other subjects. Decision was reserved.

Will the Lady return to McMillan?

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, November 11. The will of the late General George B. McClellan, of Orange, N. J., was filed to-day in the Surrogate's office. It is dated January 18, 1873. After providing for the payment of all his debts and funeral expenses, he bequeaths all

ENGLISH POLITICS.

GLADSTONE IN SCOTLAND.

On the 10th of November, Gladstone, in his speech to the House of Commons, said:

(By cable to the Dispatch.)

EDINBURGH, November 11. Gladstone and Lord Rosebery, who left by the 10 o'clock train, arrived in Edinburgh at 10 o'clock. Park through the principal thoroughfares to Free Assembly Hall. Crowds of people lined the route, and great enthusiasm was manifested at the appearance of Gladstone. On reaching the hall Gladstone found it literally packed with human beings awaiting to hear his address. Gladstone said it was impossible for Parliament to deal with the Irish question satisfactorily except by the action of a party powerful enough to act independently of the Irish vote. According to Tory as well as Liberal reports, such a party in the coming Parliament can only be a Liberal party.

The consideration was more than ordinarily important. Indeed, it was the highest imperial importance. "Passing to a subject less important," said Gladstone, "I am reluctantly compelled to refer to personal matters. I am unable to understand the reason, but it undoubtedly has become the fashion among a portion of the Tories to circulate, concerning myself, an unbounded ascription of most gratuitous untruths. This is a mode of warfare which I have never indulged in, and I believe that the bulk of respectable Tories disapprove of this. I return to me in the shape of voluminous correspondence daily from all parts of the country, and I ask my friends to receive all such statements with resolute incredulity until their makers prove their assertions."

During a former campaign I remember having flung denied twelve untruths in a single letter. Some of the untruths now circulated are: I possess a large quantity of land in Russia; another accuses me of felling trees on Sundays; a third says I offered to lend Lord Braintree £1,000 yearly; fourth, that I asked the Liberal Parliamentary party last session to vote against their consciences; fifth, that I opposed the abolition of flogging in the army, whereas I spoke and voted in its favor; and sixth, that I voted against Lord Salisbury. Such are specimens of the new untruths circulated. In order to prove that I am not exaggerating, I have in my pockets the statements of three Tory candidates--Messrs. Ayers, Siddebottom, and Duncan. The last warns his constituents of gross inaccuracies of the Radicals. He then lyingly accuses me of opposing the household franchise, which not only did not oppose, but I supported. He then says a newspaper war with Lord Sherbrooke over the matter, he opposing and I advocating the extension of the franchise. I hope this exposure will save trouble to those whose fears and apprehensions the Tories seek to excite illegitimately. I now enter a graver subject--disestablishment--not because it is an immediate and urgent necessity, but in order to remove widespread misapprehensions.

Mr. Gladstone here referred to the Scotch section of his election manifesto, which is as follows: "When the subject of State religion comes into discussion, although it has been more fully probed and unfolded in Scotland than elsewhere, and although a lively feeling, as was naturally to be expected, exists with regard to it in Wales, yet it is larger the case of England, which principally attracts attention. Bearing in mind all the circumstances of the question in connection with the length of my own past career, I might perhaps plead for an exemption from all share in this controversy. But having regard, on the other hand, to the deep interest felt in it, with strong conviction on the part of so many whose confidence I have enjoyed, I think it right to say a few words, if they only tend to qualify over-sanguine expectations and to mitigate alarms which appear to me to be exaggerated. I am entertained by many whom, both officially and personally, I revere. With respect to the severance of the Church of England from the State I think it obvious that so vast a question cannot become practical until it shall have grown familiar to the public mind by thorough discussion, with the further condition that the proposal, when thoroughly discussed, shall be the subject of discussion at to-morrow's meeting, when a decision will probably be arrived at."

The following fourth-class postmasters were appointed to-day in North Carolina: Chinquapin, James T. Landin; Inverness, Miss Mary B. McPhail; Sully, G. W. Yancey; Willis Creek, L. R. Love; Ellis, Thomas S. Owen; Davis, W. E. Frisbie; Harrisville, J. B. Ewing.

The President to-day appointed General Joseph J. Bartlett, of New York City, to be Second Deputy Commissioner of Pension, in place of Lewis C. Bartlett, who has resigned. Lewis C. Bartlett, who has resigned, was a member of the Board of Indian Commissioners in place of Orange Judd, resigned.

The Civil-Service Commission discussed the Sterling (the New York) weaver case at its meeting to-day in an informal manner, and reached no conclusion. It will be the subject of discussion at to-morrow's meeting, when a decision will probably be arrived at.

Railroad Matters.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

KNOXVILLE, TENN., November 11. The stockholders of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad held their annual meeting here to-day. The secretary had failed to comply with the by-laws, which require him to furnish at the annual meeting a complete list of the stockholders. Consequently no business could be transacted. No stockholder can vote unless he has been a stockholder three months. The annual meeting adjourned to March 25, 1886.

The stockholders of the Knoxville and Ohio railroad met to-day. Eight hundred thousand of the \$1,100,000 stock was represented. The following directors were elected: C. M. McGhee, John H. Moses, E. J. Sanford, (of Knoxville), Samuel Thomas, Calvin S. Brice, Samuel Shearer, J. R. Egan, John T. Martin, and George J. Seney, of New York. The directors elected C. M. McGhee, president; Samuel Thomas, vice president; John L. Moses, secretary; James G. Mitchell, treasurer; and Henry Fink, general manager.

Forty People Poisoned.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., November 11. About ten days ago three members of a family named Morris, who had been receiving their water from a well near a cotton-factory, became very ill, and a day or two afterward four other members of the same family became ill. Soon there were twenty people in the locality quite sick, and the manager of the mill became a victim. Last night six more persons were taken down, and several, it is feared, cannot recover. An investigation has been commenced, and it is thought some miscreants have poured a quantity of poison into the well. Fully forty persons have already been affected.

The Lost of the Algonqua.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

DETROIT, Mich., November 11. An Owen Sound (Ont.) dispatch says: As far as can be learned the passenger-list and crew of the Algonqua comprised over 120 persons. The Canadian Pacific officials are very reluctant to disclose the facts. It is believed, however, that a large number of passengers were taken on at Sault Ste. Marie. General Manager Beatty, of the Canadian Pacific, will say nothing definite as to the number lost, while other officials freely state that fully 100 have gone down with the vessel. The latest list of the saved makes the total 15.

Fire in Mississippi.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

WOODVILLE, Miss., November 11. A destructive fire occurred here yesterday, causing a loss of \$25,000, insured \$10,000.

Lord Salisbury's generosity and chivalry in throwing over party interests for the benefit of the Church.

It is particularly fortunate for him that nothing is so inconvenient as the introduction of English disestablishment bills. These bills induce many liberal politicians to forestall the question. I do not complain of this, but I do protest against making the Church a test question to the exclusion of every other question. Just consider the effect of voting for a candidate on this question only. There is no sense in it. What I contend is that there is no state of things now existing which makes it necessary, just, or allowable to raise the question of English Church disestablishment just now. Disestablishment in Scotland is a question the Scotch people should deal with when the proper times arrives, which in my opinion has not yet come. It would be outrageous folly for the Liberals to allow themselves to be drawn from the other real solid issues of the day by this question. We confront the electors, and say: Vote for or against the candidate on the grounds connected with the great questions ripe for discussion, which can be treated in a practical manner, so as to be of service to the country. Is the Liberal party going to be constituted on excommunicating principle? Is it to exclude from Parliament everybody who does not favor disestablishment? This is simply impossible. Every sensible man will devote attention to things which can be dealt with in the coming Parliament. It would require a good deal to turn my opinion; I will not say the conviction, which ninety-nine out of every hundred Englishmen share, that the question of disestablishment of the Church of England is really remote from the coming Parliament.

Head in Prison.

(By cable to the Dispatch.)

LONDON, November 11. Stead, the convicted editor of the *Pail-Mail* Gazette, was interviewed in Cold Bath-fields prison to-day. His warden was present at the interview, and the visitor was not allowed to shake hands with the prisoner. Stead was in prison garb, consisting of a Glenngary cap, loose-flowing yellow collarless jacket, stamped on the left breast with "Circle R. 2. Stroke 8"; baggy, coarse yellow trousers bearing the Government brand arrow, and over-sized patched boots. His hair was cropped short. Stead appeared to be suffering severely from rheumatism in his hands being tucked in his capacious sleeves for warmth. He was allowed a Bible in his cell, but the light is not sufficient to enable him to read it. His breakfast consists of thin porridge and brown bread, dinner of suet pudding, and supper of porridge and brown bread. He sees nobody besides P. M. and S. A. M. on his daily task to pick one word of oakum. Ordinary prisoners have to pick three pounds. The sentences of all prisoners commence on the first day of the session of the court, which this year was October 19th. Stead will, therefore, be released on January 19th.

A Card from Ruiz Zorrilla.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

LONDON, November 11. Ruiz Zorrilla, the Spanish Radical, writes to the *Standard* denying that he instigated the Carthagena revolt. He recounts his long political services to Spain, and declares that he has never been a demagogue. His programme now is the same as before--progress as opposed to reaction and liberty, he further said, would be agreeably surprised at the gratifying exhibit which the trustees would be prepared to show at the adjournment of the session.

At the afternoon session Bishops Ireland, of St. Paul; Keane, of Richmond; Spalding, of Peoria, and Martyn, of Dakota; Monseigneur John M. Farley, of New York, and Rev. Drs. Foley, of Baltimore, and McCreary, of Washington, D. C., were present.

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FREE-TRADERS IN COUNCIL.

THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Two Hundred Delegates Present--Report and Address of the Honorable Secretary--Speeches by Other Prominent Persons.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

CHICAGO, November 11. The National Conference of Free-Traders and Revenue-Reformers met in Haverty's Minnetal Hall shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. Some two hundred delegates were in attendance from all parts of the country. The Conference was called to order by the president, Hon. David A. Wells, after which General Scales, of Chicago, delivered an address of welcome. Some routine business was transacted, and then the report of R. R. Bowker, honorary secretary of the Conference, was read. Mr. Bowker stated that there were twenty-one Free-Traders in many other States. Most of these are in relation with the American Free-Trade League, which is now organized as a national association. Mr. Bowker would select a man from each State who would become a promoter of the organization throughout his State, and its general representative in relation to the free-trade movement. He urged upon Free-Traders the necessity of planning for the great campaign, the first step towards which is the raising of a fund of \$20,000, which will be needed this and next year in view of the congressional elections of 1886. A third of that sum is already pledged; "and," said Mr. Bowker, "we will show before New-Year's day, 1887, some use of it that the country will be proud to support as England came to the support of Cobden and Bright."

An address on the "Tariff and its Relations to Farmers" was read by J. Q. Smith, of Ohio, which ended the morning session. Frank Hurt, Henry Watterson, J. Sterling Morton, and others, will deliver addresses to-night. Rev. Henry Ward Beecher will speak to-morrow.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees--Satisfactory Progress of the Work.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

BALTIMORE, November 11. The Board of Trustees of the Catholic University met at the Arch-Bishop's residence to-day at noon. There were present Archbishops Gibbons, of Baltimore; Williams, of Boston; Ryan, of Philadelphia, and Corrigan, of New York; Bishops Ireland, of St. Paul; Keane, of Richmond; Spalding, of Peoria; Martyn, of Dakota; Monseigneur John M. Farley, of New York, and Rev. Drs. Foley, of Baltimore, and McCreary, of Washington, D. C.

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